

5 OCT 1957

INFORMATION FROM **Chief of Naval Personnel**
Department of the Navy

SUBJECT : **Letter Report of Fitness of** [redacted]

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1. [redacted] has been serving under my direct supervision for the past six months as Executive Secretary of an inter-departmental Board of the National Security Council, of which I am Chairman. This Board is charged with the establishment of policies governing the coordination of specialized intelligence activities of the U. S. Government.

2. In the performance of his duties [redacted] has demonstrated an exceptionally keen comprehension of the unusually complex tasks and decisions confronting the Board. His logical thinking and outstanding sound judgment are of extreme value in focusing attention on the vital issues involved. His initiative and perseverance in devising solutions to problems, and his objective, frank and diplomatic manner in reconciling diversified interests of members, contribute greatly to the fulfillment of the Board's mission. His superior qualities of leadership and administrative ability are evidenced in his conduct as Chairman of the Board's Executive Committee and in his direction of the USCIB Executive Secretariat, in which capacity he enjoys the complete trust and confidence of his associates and subordinates. I am personally gratified to have [redacted] serving in his present assignment.

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3. A memorandum from the Department of the Air Force commanding [redacted] on his method of performance of his duties is attached hereto.

SIGNED

Allen W. Dulles
 Director

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Attachments: NAVFNS-320, Sheets 1 thru 11
 Name in Maj. Gen. Willard Lewis, USAF

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CIA/SIS: [redacted] :jak (16 Sep 57)

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